

**Minutes of the
Idaho Nursery and Florist Advisory Committee Meeting
By Conference Call
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Oct. 7, 2014**

In Attendance:

Committee Members:

Howard Hughes, Horticulture Services, Inc., Post Falls, ID – Committee Chairman
Gary Paulson, Mountain Plants Inc., Victor, ID – Committee Member
Robert (Bob) Reggear, Reggear Tree Farm, Orofino, ID – Committee Member
Joe Clayton, Clayton Tree Farm, Wilder, ID – Committee Member
Dan Ritchie, Lawn Company, Boise, ID – Committee Member
Walt Coiner, Hollyberry Nursery, Hansen, ID – Committee Member (absent)
Jared K. Stuart, Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) – ISDA Representative
Dr. Paul McDaniel, University of Idaho – University of Idaho Representative (absent)

Guests:

Ann Bates, Idaho Nursery Landscape Association (INLA)
Shari Ferree, Idaho State Department of Agriculture

Call to Order and Comments from the Chair; Introductions:

Chairman Hughes called the Idaho Nursery and Florist Advisory Committee (NAC) meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Mountain Time. Everyone who called in to the Conference Call identified themselves. No additional items were added to the agenda.

The 2014 annual meeting was held January 23, 2014. Six (6) grant applications were reviewed and approved. The Annual Meeting minutes were approved by the committee via E-mail and posted on the ISDA Website.

Introduction: Walt Coiner of Hollyberry Nursery, Hansen, ID, represents nursery growers. His term will expire on June 30, 2017.

Review of 2014 Mid-Term Reports:

- 1) NAC/ISDA 2014-1, \$12,036.00 “Improvement, Propagation and Commercialization of Native Plants for Water-Conserving and Traditional Landscapes” – Stephen L. Love, Ph.D., University of Idaho. (\$6,018 was paid on 3/5/2014.) Bob Reggear commented that they are putting these plants out around the state. I know that they put some at the UofI Arboretum. I haven’t had a chance to look at them since they first put them out a couple of years ago. At that time it was difficult to tell where they were because they weren’t very well marked. The photos from Aberdeen are very nice and very promising. I was wondering how the stuff up here (in Moscow) is reacting to the climate in northern Idaho verses southern Idaho. It is rewarding for me to see the plant sales. As a committee, we are helping something come full circle. Gary Paulson noted that much of the concentration is on the penstemon family. Would it be possible to highlight any other families that he is also working on, like shrubs, snowberries, buffaloberries, or things like that? Or have plans for the future research? A motion to accept the mid-term report as stated was made by Dan Ritchie and seconded by Joe Clayton; the motion was then approved by the committee.
- 2) NAC/ISDA 2014-2, \$1,770.00 “Exploring Procedures for Establishing Naturalized Wildflower Plantings in Urban and Suburban Sites” – Stephen L. Love, Ph.D., University of Idaho. (Paid in full on 3/5/2014.) Joe Clayton stated that this is appropriate and I appreciate the plan for future testing. I am enjoying watching him chase it. A motion to accept the mid-term report as stated was made by Joe Clayton and seconded by Gary Paulson; the motion was approved by the committee.

- 3) NAC/ISDA 2014-3, \$5,000.00 “Educational Seminar at the Idaho Horticulture Expo. January 21-23, 2015” – Ann Bates, Idaho Nursery Landscape Association. (\$5,000 to be paid upon invoice after the January 2015 meeting.) Bob Reggear gave kudos to Ann for bringing in great speakers. Keep up the good work. A motion to accept the mid-term report as stated was made by Dan Ritchie and seconded by Bob Reggear; the motion was approved by the committee.
- 4) NAC/ISDA 2014-4. \$13,575.00 “Turf Management Effects on Annual Broadleaf Weed Invasion and Field Bindweed Management in a Kentucky Bluegrass Turf” = Don Morishita, Ph.D., University of Idaho. (\$6,787.50 was paid on 3/5/2014.) A motion to accept the mid-term report as stated was made by Bob Reggear and seconded by Dan Ritchie; the motion was then approved by the committee.
ADJUSTED TOTAL \$13,258.00.
- 5) NAC/ISDA 2014-5, \$3,000.00 “A Regional Conference for Green Industry in North Idaho” – Michael E. Bauer and Jennifer Jensen, University of Idaho Extension. (Paid in full on 3/5/2014.) Gary Paulson asked Ann Bates if she knew what the projected attendance would be for the 2015 conference. The 2014 had 116 people attend. Ann replied that they were able to raise funds at the conference to help bring in the next level of speakers. At the next conference attendance is expected to be between 135 and 150 people. The committee is still meeting to decide who the next main speaker will be to address all across the board. Gary asked if Ann knew why the landscapers were the weakest group. Ann replied that she did not know for certain, although in north Idaho arborists seem to be the most active group. I think that we will try to hit that landscape group harder next year. This year we were focused on getting pesticide credits, and for landscapers that just is not as important. Bob Reggear noted that Jennifer Jensen and Ann Bates put on a wonderful program and that it has been lacking in recent years. I would like to encourage it to continue as northern Idaho is separate from everybody else. A motion to accept the mid-term report as stated was made by Joe Clayton and seconded by Bob Reggear; the motion was then approved by the committee.
- 6) NAC/ISDA 2014-6, \$11,121.00 “Determining Tissue Culture Propagation Procedures for Selected Native Plants” – Robert R. Tripepi, Ph.D., Stephen L. Love, Ph.D., University of Idaho. (\$5,560.50 was paid on 3/5/2014.) A motion to accept the mid-term report as stated was made by Dan Ritchie and seconded by Joe Clayton; the motion was then approved by the committee.

Japanese Beetle Program update:

From Jared Stuart: This year from our first catch on June 19th through October 1st we caught 1,283 adult beetles. Compared to 2013, it is a 58% reduction. In 2013 we caught 3058 beetles. So, with our treatments, and those beetles, obviously we expanded our treatment areas in 2014 as compared to 2013. If you look at the area on the map that was treated in 2013, we actually went from 1,930 beetles in that area to 92 adult beetles. So that was a 95% decrease in the 2013 treated area. A lot of the 95 beetles that were caught in there were fringe beetles that could have come from outside of the treatment area. So, we obviously expanded the treatment area this year. There was only one main population of beetles that we treated that was a significant population; and again it was around the Warm Springs area.

The State Street area there were not a whole lot has happened, there were about 19 beetles caught there this year. But, there weren't too many beetles caught around the Far West Nursery treatment area. So, everything that was caught in that area was in the treatment zone. And the other beetles, the significant amount of catches, came from parks around Boise.

We did see some outlier beetles show up as well, but they weren't in significant populations. So, we have a few treatments ahead, but looking at a reduction of 58%, that's positive, especially considering that there were catches from the 2013 areas and catches that were outside our treatment areas for 2014. So, we won't know how we did there until next year because we are always a year behind where we are at, because we can't see what we did to the population until next year's treatment from last year's treatment area. But we will be making some movements of the treatment area and expanding that around the Warm Springs area and going around any

positive catches we did have; female positive catches and treating within about a 200 meter radius around those. So, that's where we are at, as far as an update. I'll try to answer any questions anyone may have.

Bob Reggear: Have they had catches in other parts of the state?

Jared: In 2012 we had a few catches in northern Idaho and Pocatello. We have been placing traps, but have not had any more catches in those areas. All of this year's catches have been in the Boise area. We treated in May and again in July, these treatments overlap. It takes about a month for the treatments to be active and effective. Any catches in August through the end of September, the feeding usually stops by the end of September, any outlier catches around that time, if you treat, it really won't be effective because it won't be in the ground long enough to be effective. Once it is on the ground long enough to be effective, they have stopped feeding. In the spring we will definitely be treating all of the areas where we had positive catches outside of the treatment area.

In a few weeks we will get a report from our neighboring states. Everyone seems to be battling Japanese Beetles a little bit; not to the extent that we are here. California, Washington, Oregon, Colorado, Utah, and Montana have all had issues with Japanese Beetles. Wyoming is the only one not currently working on eradication. They had a population start to establish in Billings. They have also had positive nursery catches in Kalispell.

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug:

There are now traps available for the Brown Marmorated Stink Bugs. We trapped the area in Nampa where the family where the family moved out from Maryland and brought the bugs with them. We did not catch any bugs. We will trap again next year. Once we have two years of negative trapping, we consider it a non-issue. I know that along the Columbia River Basin and neighboring states have also had issues with Brown Marmorated Stink Bugs showing up as well.

Grasshoppers:

Last year there was a large problem, but it did not affect the Nursery and Landscape Industry as much. Mostly it was with landowners who raise livestock. Last year there was treatment around McCall and Cascade. This year there was not any fly over treatment that we provided. The county extension agents and some other groups did some spraying from airplanes, but we did not initiate that. We did provide bait, and they treated with a different chemical trying to get a higher residual and to try to take care of those hatching beds before they got to be an issue. The rain obviously played a little bit of a part in that. We will see where they are at next year; I think they may want to get a little bit of a head start to take care of the hatching beds a little sooner.

Budget Report:

A total of \$46,502.00 was approved on January 25, 2014; \$23,136.00 was disbursed to the grantees, leaving a total of \$23,366.00 (\$6,018 + \$5,000 + \$6,787.50 + \$5,560.50) to be disbursed upon approval of the final reports.

Nursery Research Account Budget Summary

	Receipts	Expenses	Balance
	\$56,975.00	\$54,671.06	\$129,037.20
FY 2007	\$58,491.96	\$54,981.64	\$132,547.52
FY 2008	\$62,044.58	\$67,112.68	\$127,479.42
FY 2009	\$48,275.00	\$58,922.69	\$116,831.73
FY 2010	\$53,500.64	\$56,846.04	\$113,486.33
FY 2011	\$51,721.99	\$68,504.70	\$ 96,703.62
FY 2012	\$44,875.00	\$66,022.58	\$ 75,556.04
FY 2013	\$44,900.00	\$44,109.04	\$ 77,347.00
FY 2014	\$44,450.00	\$42,087.72	\$ 79,709.28
FY 2015	\$ 950.00	\$ 941.97	\$ 79,717.31 as of Oct. 6, 2014

A total of \$23,366.00 is obligated to the grantees upon approval of the final reports. The unobligated cash balance as of October 6, 2014 is \$56,351.31.

Overhead Expenses:

The instructions for our "New Research Proposals and Funding Request" states at the bottom of page 4, "Contributions made with the intent that these funds are used for nursery and floral research and educational projects only, and no overhead expenses are to be deducted from the research grants or added to the project costs.". During the January 2014 meeting it was discovered that the University of Idaho has a policy requiring overhead / fringe benefits to be included in the cost of all grants.

Ann Bates suggested that we contact surrounding states to see what their programs are doing.

Bob Reggear: What this grant money is for research not overhead. We have limited funding and that money should go toward the research and not overhead for the university.

Howard Hughes: I ran into this about 15 years ago with other research funding groups. If they wanted to fund the research, they had to fund the overhead too. Some researchers had multiple sources of funding. They would detail what the money was being used for and they could list that certain sources would not be covering any overhead expenses. It is up to each researcher on how they do that.

Bob Reggear: Some of the proposals have listed 50% of the expenses as overhead (fringe benefits). Personally, I believe that we should be funding the research and not the overhead.

Howard Hughes: We could change our policy to say something to the effect that it is our general policy to not fund overhead (fringe benefits) and priority will be given to those that do not have it. We won't totally exclude it, but other grants may be considered. We want to be more research driven. We don't want to fund it, but it will allow it if we need to.

Joe Clayton: We need to verbalize to the university that we have an issue with the overhead / fringe benefits being charged to grants. This is not how we like to fund thing and we aren't happy with their policy.

Howard Hughes: We will continue this discussion at the January 2015 meeting.

Other Business:

Nursery Licenses: As of October 6, 2014, there were 1,838 nursery licenses; 177 fewer than at this time last year. Beginning December 2014 ISDA made available an option for Nursery licenses to renew via a web payment portal. We had 174 licenses were renewed this way.

January Meeting: The annual meeting will be held on Friday, January 23, 2015, tentatively at 9:00 a.m.

Bob Reggear moved to adjourn the meeting, Joe Clayton seconded the motion. The Committee adjourned at 10:59 a.m.



Jared K. Stuart, Section Manager

Plant Industries Division

Idaho State Department of Agriculture

P.O. Box 790

Boise, ID 83701

Physical Address:

2270 Old Penitentiary Road

Boise, ID 83712

Phone: (208) 332-8620

Fax: (208) 334-2283

E-mail: Jared.Stuart@agri.idaho.gov

Jared Stuart				
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11
FY07				
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		01/01/07		\$ 140,505.76
RECEIPTS:			\$ 33,116.96	
EXPENDITURES:				
BYU UNIV - GRANT			4,140.00	
UNIV OF IDAHO - GRANTS			35,526.00	
FEDEX			122.40	
DEPT OVERHEAD			1,019.00	
TRAVEL M COOPER			5.00	
AIR TRAVEL H HUGHES			162.80	
REFUNDS/LICENSES			100.00	
			\$ 41,075.20	
ENDING CASH BALANCE		6/30/2007		\$ 132,547.52
FY08				
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		7/1/2007		\$ 132,547.52
RECEIPTS:			\$ 29,394.58	
EXPENDITURES:				
AT&T TELECONFERENCE			34.32	
DEPT OVERHEAD			1,321.00	
DFM STATEWIDE ALLOCATION			110.88	
ID AG STATISTICS 07 NURSERY SURVEY			1,000.00	
			\$ 2,466.20	
ENDING CASH BALANCE		12/31/2007		\$ 159,475.90
FY08				
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		1/1/2008		\$ 159,475.90
RECEIPTS:			\$ 32,650.00	
EXPENDITURES:				
DEPT OVERHEAD			1,142.00	
MARKS HELMSTREET LODGING COOPER			293.50	
BRIGHAM YOUNG			4,140.00	
HORTICULTURE RESEARCH INSITUTE			3,000.00	
ID AG STATISTICS			1,000.00	
IDAHO NURSERY & LANDSCAPE ASSN.			5,500.00	
UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO			44,570.98	
WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY			5,000.00	

				\$ 64,646.48	
ENDING CASH BALANCE		6/30/2008		\$ 127,479.42	
FY09					
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11	
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		7/1/2008		\$ 127,479.42	
	RECEIPTS:		\$ 14,375.00		
	EXPENDITURES:				
	DEPT OVERHEAD		1,306.00		
	PHONE FAX		42.98		
	DFM STATEWIDE ALLOCATION		118.00		
			\$ 1,466.98		
ENDING CASH BALANCE		12/30/2008		\$ 140,387.44	
FY09					
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11	
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		1/1/2009		\$ 140,387.44	
	RECEIPTS:		\$ 33,900.00		
	EXPENDITURES:				
	REFUNDS		263.20		
	DEPT OVERHEAD		575.00		
	TRAVEL WINN, PAULSEN		454.32		
	IDAHO AG STATISTICS		1,800.00		
	MILEAGE - CCOPER		8.19		
	ID NURSERY LANDSCAPE ASSN		5,000.00		
	UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO		49,355.00		
			\$ 57,455.71		
ENDING CASH BALANCE		6/30/2009		\$ 116,831.73	
FY10					
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11	
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		7/1/2009		\$ 116,831.73	
	RECEIPTS:		21,525.00		
	REFUND		(25.00)		
			\$ 21,500.00		
	EXPENDITURES:				
	DEPT OVERHEAD		1,152.00		
			\$ 1,152.00		

ENDING CASH BALANCE		12/31/2009	\$ 137,179.73
FY10			
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212 0330-11
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		12/31/2009	\$ 137,179.73
	RECEIPTS		32,075.64
	REFUNDS		(75.00)
			\$ 32,000.64
	EXPENDITURES:		
	Fuel		15.23
	Parking		12.00
	Dept Overhead		778.00
	Idaho Nursey & Landscape (Id Hort Expo)		5,000.00
	Travel Gary Paulson		457.31
			\$ 6,262.54
	TRUSTEE & BENEFITS:		
	Brigham Young		3,900.00
	Idaho Agric Statistics Service		1,800.00
	Id Nursery & Landscape		2,000.00
	U of I		41,731.50
			\$ 49,431.50
ENDING CASH BALANCE		6/30/2010	\$ 113,486.33
FY11			
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212 0330-11
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		7/1/2010	\$ 113,486.33
	RECEIPTS		\$ 51,721.99
	EXPENDITURES:		
	Dept Overhead		2,162.00
	At&t Teleconference		40.79
	Copier rental		29.64
	Travel		433.77
			\$ 2,666.20
	TRUSTEE & BENEFITS:		
	Idaho Nursery & Landscape Assoc.	NAC/ISDA 2010-3 NAC GRANT	5,000.00
	Idaho Nursery & Landscape Assoc.	2011 HORT EXPO SPONSOR	5,000.00
	Brigham Young Univ	NAC/ISDA 2010-8	3,900.00
	University of Idaho	NACISDA20101 DR. S. LOVE	6,467.50
	University of Idaho	NAC/ISDA 2010-6 TRIPEPI	8,167.00
	University of Idaho Ext	NAC/ISDA 2011-1 DR. M. BAUER	700.00
	University of Idaho	NAC/ISDA 2011-8 TRIPEPI	5,974.50

	Idaho Agricultural Statistics Serv	FY11 TF AGRMT#20-WI-11-32-T009	1,800.00	
	University of Idaho	NAC/ISDA 2011-2 DON MORISHITA	4,250.00	
	University of Idaho	NAC/ISDA 2011-3 TOM SALAIZ	6,520.00	
	University of Idaho	NAC/ISDA 2011-4 DR. S. LOVE	11,375.00	
	University of Idaho	NAC/ISDA 2011-7 ROBERT TRIPEPI	6,684.50	
			\$ 65,838.50	
ENDING CASH BALANCE		6/30/2011		\$ 96,703.62
FY12				
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		7/1/2011		\$ 96,703.62
	RECEIPTS		\$ 44,875.00	
	EXPENDITURES:			
	Personnel costs		1,078.77	
	Dept Overhead		1,919.00	
	Adm Rules		100.00	
	Travel Expense (fuel, parking)		11.59	
	Teleconference Service		102.77	
	Postage		57.97	
	Id Nursery & Landscape Assoc		8,500.00	
	University of Idaho		54,252.48	
			\$ 66,022.58	
ENDING CASH BALANCE		6/30/2012		\$ 75,556.04
FY13				
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		7/1/2012		\$ 75,556.04
	RECEIPTS		\$ 45,900.00	
	EXPENDITURES:			
	Personnel costs		2,953.52	
	Postage		11.44	
	Dept Overhead		1,726.00	
	Misc/Office		514.08	
	2013 Hort Speakers		5,000.00	
	NAC/ISDA 2013-3 LOVE 1ST HALF		5,905.00	
	NAC/ISDA 2013-4 LOVE		4,896.00	
	NAC/ISDA 2013-5 TRIPEPI 1ST HALF		9,162.50	
	NAC/ISDA 2012 BURSAR BJKL02-2		7,246.00	
	NAC/ISDA 2012 BURSAR BJKL78-2		6,694.50	
			\$ 44,109.04	
ENDING CASH BALANCE		6/30/2013		\$ 77,347.00

FY14				
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		7/1/2013		\$ 77,347.00
RECEIPTS			\$ 44,450.00	
EXPENDITURES:				
Personnel costs			1,316.88	
Postage			10.08	
Dept Overhead			1,744.00	
REIMB NURS ADV COM MTG 1/25/14			498.71	
NAC/ISDA 2014-1 S LOVE-IMPROVE			6,018.00	
NAC/ISDA 2014-2 S LOVE-EXPLORI			1,770.00	
NAC/ISDA 2014-4 D MORISHITA TU			6,787.50	
NAC/ISDA 2014-6 R TRIPEPI DETE			5,560.50	
NACISDA 2013-3 BURSAR BJKM27-2			5,905.00	
NACISDA 2013-5 BURSAR BJKM30-2			4,233.27	
NAC/ISDA 2013-6 ED SEMINAR IHE			5,000.00	
NAC/ISDA 2014-5; REGNL CONF GR			3,000.00	
NAC/ISDA 2013-5 EFFECTS OF BIO			243.78	
			\$ 42,087.72	
ENDING CASH BALANCE		6/30/2014		\$ 79,709.28
FY15				
NURSERY RESEARCH		AGAD	42212	0330-11
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE		7/1/2014		\$ 79,709.28
RECEIPTS			\$ 950.00	
EXPENDITURES:				
Personnel costs			102.92	
Postage			11.05	
Dept Overhead			828.00	
			\$ 941.97	
ENDING CASH BALANCE		9/30/2014		\$ 79,717.31



STATE OF IDAHO

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER

Governor

CELIA R. GOULD

Director

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

IDAHO NURSERY AND FLORISTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
IDAHO STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
2270 OLD PENITENTIARY ROAD
BOISE, IDAHO

MEETING AGENDA FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2014
10:00 A.M. – NOON MDT

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Call to order and Comments from the Chair
2. Introductions
3. Review of Interim Research Reports
4. Other Items
5. Adjourn

NOTICE: Agenda items may be taken out of order. Times stated are approximate and subject to change. Agenda order is tentative and may be changed without prior notice.

****This notice is being posted in accordance with the Idaho Open Meeting Law: Idaho Code Section 67-2343****
2270 Old Penitentiary Road • P.O. Box 790 • Boise, Idaho 83701 • (208) 332-8500 • www.agri.idaho.gov